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Sir:

REQUEST FOR RECONSTRUCTION OF LOST FILE

Applicant requests reconstruction of the above-identified Patent Office file and for issuance of the Letters Patent. The Issue Fee was paid on August 19, 2003, and the undersigned has not received an Issue Notification in this case. After numerous telephone inquiries to obtain the issue date, Ms. Renee Pettus of Group 1600 informed us that the file is lost.

Ms. Pettus also suggested that upon reconstruction of the file, the time period will be restarted and a new Notice of Allowance will be issued.

Attached is a true complete copy of all official correspondence to/from the USPTO provided by the undersigned registered attorney of record.

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Reconstitution of this file and prompt notification of the issue date of the Letters Patent is urgently requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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